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NEAT/MHEA Weather File

ODOC Weatherization Program Notice 22-1A V.2 CORRECTED Issued January 26, 2022

To: All ODOC Subgrantee Recipients/Weatherization Program Service Providers - Executive Directors and Weatherization Program Managers and the Oklahoma Association of Community Action Agencies' Training Center

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Regulations: DOE WPN 19-4; 10 CFR 440.21

Purpose: To provide the network with guidance on selecting the correct weather file for a client home in accordance with 10 CFR 440.21.

Implementation Date: All new energy audits after February 1, 2022

This Program Notice supersedes any ODOC Guidance in the CAA Manual, Contract Part II, the Energy Audit Manual, and ODOC WPN 22-1 issued January 11, 2022.

Regulatory Background

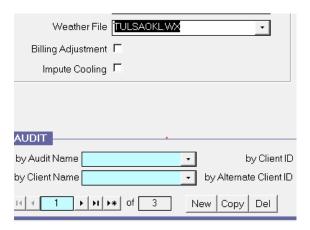
10 CFR 440.21 requires that all Subgrantee Recipients "compute the cost of fuel saved per year by taking into account the climatic data of the area where the dwelling unit is located, where the base temperature that determines the number of heating or cooling degree days (if used) reasonably approximates conditions when operation of heating and cooling equipment is required to maintain comfort." NEAT/MHEA, ODOC's DOE approved energy audit software, takes into account the climatic data through weather files that are selected from a drop-down menu at the beginning of the energy audit. It is possible for a disallowed measure to be recommended by the audit if an incorrect weather file is chosen. At times, a service county may be geographically close to two or more weather stations, and it may be difficult to determine which weather file is the correct one. This policy will remove any doubt and ensure that all Subgrantees select the same weather file for a given area.

Program Guidance

1. Subgrantee Recipients must use Attachment A to determine which weather file to select for a client home in an assigned county.

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2. Failure to comply with the list of designated weather files for assigned counties may result in disallowed weatherization costs.



Attachments:

 Attachment A – Weather File List V.2 (updated to assign a new weather station to Beckham County)